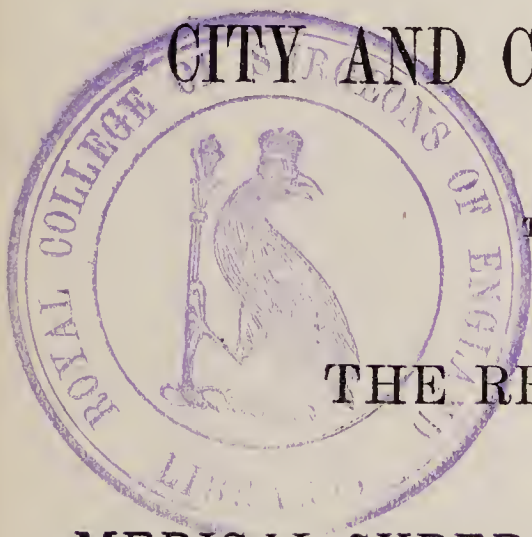


REPORT  
OF THE  
COMMITTEE OF VISITORS  
OF  
THE LUNATIC ASYLUM  
FOR THE  
CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL,  
TOGETHER WITH  
THE REPORTS OF THE  
MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT & CHAPLAIN.



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FOR THE YEAR 1878.

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THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

OF THE

LUNATIC ASYLUM FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL.

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Your Committee have much pleasure in reporting that the state of the Asylum has been satisfactory.

The number of Patients in the Asylum at the date of the last Report was 136 Males and 166 Females, making a total of 302.

There are at the present time 140 Males and 174 Females, total 314.

The highest number resident at one time during the past year was 324.

The extension of the Asylum has now been completed, and both wings are partially occupied by Patients. They are well lighted, airy, and supplied with the means of promoting the comfort of the Patients.

At the commencement of the year the Council purchased a piece of land and two cottages adjoining the Asylum Grounds,

which has been found a great acquisition, thereby enabling your Committee to extend the boundary wall on the west side.

Your Committee report that the establishment is now entirely supplied with water from the Bristol Water Works Company's sources.

Two of the Commissioners in Lunacy visited the Asylum on the 20th day of October last, and reported favourably as to the condition of the Patients and management of the Asylum. A copy of their minute will accompany this Report.

The Report of the Superintendent, which is annexed, will also afford information as to the condition of the Patients.

The conduct of the officers, attendants, and servants, has been very satisfactory.

The establishment is in good order.

FREDERICK TERRELL,

*Chairman.*

COUNCIL HOUSE, BRISTOL,

31st December, 1877.



# REPORT

## OF THE

### VISITING COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY.



BRISTOL ASYLUM,

October 20th, 1877.

There is an increase in the number of patients now here as compared with that at the time of the visit last year on the 3rd of April. The present number is 322 as against 277 then. There are 151 men and 171 women, all of whom we have seen. One man became somewhat excited, and owing to his very loud talking was led from the ward, but otherwise there was great quiet and good behaviour.

Since the last visit the admissions, discharges, and deaths, have been as follows:—

		Men.	Women.	Total.
Admissions	-	81	85	166
Discharges	-	32	48	80
Deaths	-	20	21	41

Of those discharged 62 are returned as recovered, and 18 as relieved, and of the latter 10 have been removed to other Asylums; one of each sex to Workhouses, and one woman to the care of relatives.

The mortality during the last 18 months has been rather below the average in English County and Borough Asylums.



The following are the assigned causes which in all but three instances were ascertained by *post mortem* examination:—

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
General Paralysis ... ..	7	2	9
Epilepsy ... ..	3	3	6
Other forms of Brain Disease, including those ending in Apoplexy and ordinary Paralysis ... ..	2	4	6
Exhaustion after Mania ... ..	1	0	1
Pulmonary Consumption ... ..	0	3	3
Other forms of Lung Disease and Heart Disease ... ..	3	2	5
Diseases of Abdominal Organs ... ..	3	2	5
Senile Decay ... ..	0	3	3
Disease of the Bones of the Head and Spine ... ..	1	1	2
Suicide by Hanging ... ..	0	1	1
	20	21	41

The suicide was the first that has occurred in this Asylum. A Coroner's inquest was held, and as the case also formed the subject of correspondence at the time between our Board and the Medical Superintendent, it is not necessary to refer further to it here.

One other inquest was held, namely upon an epileptic male patient, who was found at night dead, lying upon his face in bed, no one being present at the time of the death. There has been no re-appearance since the last visit of the typhoid fever. The water supply from the source suspected to be impure has not during this interval been used at all, and since the spring of the present year the Asylum has been entirely supplied from the reservoir of the Bristol Water Works Company.

The present health, making allowances for ordinary chronic disease always met with in Asylums, is good, only 2 men and 4 women were in bed to-day, and the patients last registered as under medical treatment for all causes are 16 males and 21 females.

No one was to-day under restraint nor in seclusion. According

to the Medical Journal since the last visit there has been one instance of restraint, namely, that of a boy who, at his own request, has during repeated short attacks of impulsive violence had his hands tied together with a pocket handkerchief for a total duration of 280 hours.

During the same interval 27 men and 23 women have been secluded, the former on 83 occasions, and for a total duration of 557½ hours, and the latter on 88, for an aggregate of 536½ hours.

The condition of the patients in both divisions, as regards personal cleanliness and tidiness of dress and general appearance, is good. Some blue serge dresses for winter have been provided for the women, and the men, such as can be trusted not to destroy them, are given good Sunday suits. Their linen and socks are not changed more than once a week.

We saw 60 men and the same number of women together at dinner in the hall; their conduct was perfectly orderly, and, though there were as usual some objections, the dinner generally gave satisfaction, and was a good stew with potatoes, and beer and bread. The Friday dinner of soup seems to be very unpopular, and we desire to recommend the substitution of some more solid food for dinner on that day.

The service on Sunday last was attended by 166 patients, in about an equal proportion of sexes. Fifty-nine of the men and forty-four of the women get walking exercise beyond the grounds once a week. Between 70 and 80 men and nearly 60 women are present at the weekly entertainments in the hall. A total of 76 men and of 104 women is returned as being the numbers usefully employed. Of the former, 33 work on the farm and in the garden, 4 as shoemakers, 2 as tailors, 1 as a painter, and the remainder in assisting in the wards and other departmental offices of the Asylum; of the latter 28 are engaged in the laundry, 2 in the kitchen, 50 in needlework, and 20 in helping in the wards.

Much has been done to make the wards cheerful and comfortable by repainting and papering and other decoration, but the supply of books and papers appears to be very small. The dormitories are clean, well ventilated, and the sheeting and mattresses clean and kept in good order. The shutters in the old portion of the house are still secured by a bar fastened by bolts screwed in nightly by the attendants, but we understand that it is intended that this arrangement, which has been proved to be unsafe, should be abandoned, and one providing better security be substituted.

The staff of attendants is not numerically strong, particularly in the fourth division. They seem however to be of a respectable class, but we understand that the changes are frequent, and some, especially among the females, are very young and can hardly have acquired that knowledge of their duties which it is desirable they should possess. The wages are lower than is usual now in most County and Borough Asylums. The men commence at £24 a year, and after 12 months' service are raised to £28, a suit of clothes, with boots and a hat, is also given.

The women, beginning with £14 a year, rise by £2 a year to £20, and after three months' service are allowed two dresses a year. There is still only one night attendant in each division.

The new buildings, with accommodation for 60 patients of each sex, have been finished, and are supplied with the principal articles of furniture, but are not yet occupied, except that a certain number of patients from the old wards sleep there. The new work appears to have been well executed, and the furniture provided is good and suitable. When the wards are fully furnished and painted and papered they will be very cheerful as well as convenient for administration.

They include, beside day rooms, single rooms and offices, a large dormitory containing 48 beds in each division, so arranged that epileptic and suicidal patients may be brought together at night and placed under the continuous supervision of attendants



having no other duty. The establishment of this hitherto much needed arrangement will be a great security against casualties and suicide at night.

No other structural addition or alteration of importance has been carried out. Among the minor improvements of this kind to be undertaken, we would suggest the better lighting of the inner water closets in wards 1, 2, 7, 8, and elsewhere where the same defect exists; the fixing of handrails in the staircases of the new wards; the construction of closets for dirty clothes in convenient situations, possibly out of doors, for the temporary reception of soiled articles now kept in the bathrooms.

The vacant accommodation is for 90 patients of both sexes.

As the present chapel and dining-hall are even now insufficient in size, and will be still more inadequate when the Asylum is full, we trust that the question of building a new detached chapel and of enlarging the hall will not be lost sight of by the Visitors.

From the foregoing Report it will be seen that this Asylum continues to be maintained in a very creditable condition.

At the time of our visit Mr. Thompson was absent on a short holiday. We were accompanied by Dr. Levinge, who has succeeded Mr. De Denne as Assistant Medical Superintendent, and from whom we received all necessary information and attention.

GREVILLE HOWARD,	} Commissioners
JOHN D. CLEATON,	
	} in Lunacy.

# SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

## OF

# THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

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### 1877.

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*To the Committee of Visitors of the Bristol Lunatic Asylum.*

January 1st, 1878.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour of submitting for your consideration the Seventeenth Annual Report of the Medical Superintendent, which, with the usual Statistical and Financial Tables appended, will furnish detailed information on all matters concerning the condition of the Asylum and its inmates.

The Admissions, Re-admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, are set forth in the following Table:—

	Males.			Females.		
	Private.	Pauper.	Total.	Private.	Pauper.	Total.
On the Books Dec. 31st, 1876 ... ..		136	136	1	165	166
Admitted in 1877 ... ..	"	38	38	0	41	41
Re-admitted in 1877 ... ..	"	5	5	0	14	14
Discharged:—						
" Recovered	"	13	13	"	26	26
" Relieved	"	7	7	"	2	2
" Un-relieved	"	0	0	"	0	0
Removed ... ..	"	3	3	"	3	3
Died ... ..	"	16	16	"	16	16
Remaining Dec. 31st 1877 ... ..	"	140	140	1	173	174
Highest Numbers Resident ... ..	"	150	150	1	173	174
Average Numbers Resident ... ..	"	142	142	1	170	171

On comparing the above Table with the one contained in the Sixteenth Report, it will be found that, during the past year, there has been a decrease of 11 in the number admitted and re-admitted; an increase of 22 in the total number under treatment; of 15 in the highest number resident on any given day; of 23 in the average number resident; and of 12 in the number remaining in the Asylum at the close of the year.

Comparison of  
Numbers,

The decrease in the total number admitted is a source of congratulation, and will tend to allay any fears which might naturally have arisen because of the marked increase in 1876. In that year the number of the Insane in the Workhouses of the contributing Unions, fell from 339 to 316, a fact which will justify the opinion expressed in my last Report, that the increase of admissions here was mainly due to the temptation held out by the Government subsidy for Lunatics in Asylums, to the Poor Law Authorities, to send the cases more promptly to the Asylums, or to clear their wards of many troublesome but chronic Lunatics. The proportion of curable cases admitted—39 per cent.—was slightly in advance of the preceding year. Of the incurable cases 28 were the subject of some recognised form of disorganization of the brain. One woman was in a pregnant state when admitted. One woman, not under proper care and control, was brought here by the police on the order of two magistrates.

The Admissions  
and Re-admis-  
sions,

The recovery rate is satisfactory, and agrees very closely with the proportion of curable cases admitted. It is 40 per cent. on the number admitted; of these cases 13 were men and 26 were women, total 39. Besides these, 10 men and 5 women were discharged, for various reasons, as being relieved. One case which deserves note is that of a boy, aged 7 years, a congenital idiot, who came in with well marked acute mania, from which he made a good recovery. He was discharged “relieved” to the care of his friends, who have placed him in a school; his congenital defects, however, still exist. He was the youngest patient yet admitted, and his insanity was interesting in many respects.

The Dis-  
charges.



**The Deaths.**

The death rate is also a satisfactory one, being the lowest yet recorded, except in 1872, when it was nearly the same. It was 10·2 per cent., taken on the average number resident, and 8·0 per cent. on the total number under treatment. Of those who died 16 were men and 16 were women: their average age at death being 45·4 years. The causes of death were, with one or two exceptions, of the usual kind, and are set forth in Table IX. A case of an anomalous kind occurred, which was certified at death to have been enteric fever, but the symptoms were by no means conclusive in their character, and the refusal of the relatives to allow the making of an examination of the body still leaves the nature of the disease a matter of doubt.

**Inquest.**

An inquest was held recently on the body of C. P., an epileptic, who had been in the Asylum nineteen days, and who was found to have sustained a fracture of the skull, which had caused extravasation of blood upon the brain. He had been seen to receive a blow from the fist of another epileptic patient, W. B., in such a manner that a verdict of Manslaughter was returned against the latter, who will be tried at the forthcoming Assizes at Gloucester.

**General Health.**

The health of the patients has been fairly good, with the exception of several attacks of erysipelas, due, no doubt, to over-crowding. No other accident endangering life, except the one just mentioned, has occurred.

**The new buildings.**

The extension of the Asylum has now been effected, and both the "wings" are partially occupied by patients. They are as perfect as modern experience can make them. They are well lighted and airy, and supplied with every means for promoting the comfort and recovery of the patients.

**Present Accommodation.**

The Asylum will now accommodate 400 patients, and all the necessary officers. It will be seen, by comparing the accommodation with the number of patients now on the books, that there is room for 86 additional patients of both sexes. I must, however,



endorse the opinion of the Commissioners in Lunacy as to the inadequacy of the present chapel and dining-hall for the number of patients now in the Asylum.

The main connecting the Asylum tanks with the Company's system was charged on the 30th of January, and since a short time after that date the supply of water has been obtained entirely from the Company's sources. So far we have not drawn our maximum quantity of one million gallons in any quarter of a year, our average daily consumption having been rather less than 10,000 gallons per diem. The pressure is equal to an altitude of 180 feet, being 80 lbs. on the square inch.

The Water Supply.

The acquisition of even the small amount of an acre and three quarters of land is a welcome addition to the estate, and being, as it is, on the side most needed, it places the boundary wall at a distance of about 40 yards from one of the wings recently constructed, which is quite sufficiently far off to avoid any interference with the privacy of the Asylum.

The addition to the Estate.

The visit of the Lunacy Commissioners was made in my absence, but the Report of that visit is sufficient evidence to show that the Asylum maintains its prestige, in the matter of structure, and in other respects, as one of the best of the modern institutions. A few minor suggestions made by them have been carried out already.

The visit of the Commissioners in Lunacy.

One woman, who had been admitted late in the previous year, gave birth in January, prematurely, to twin sons, which however did not live. Another woman, who had recently been admitted, was delivered of a full-grown and healthy child in June.

Births.

Changes in the staff have occurred through the resignation of Mr. Denne, the Assistant Medical Officer, who was succeeded by Dr. E. G. Levinge, whose experience in other Asylums and general character entitle him to much confidence. Mr. Denne left on being appointed to a similar, but much more lucrative, position in the Northampton General Lunatic Hospital. Miss Webb, the

Changes in the Asylum Staff of Officers.

head female attendant, resigned, and was succeeded by Miss Fanny Stroud, of St. Luke's Hospital for Lunatics. Miss Haile, who for nearly eight years held the office of housekeeper, also resigned, for domestic reasons. Her successor is Miss Julia A. Crook, lately sub-matron at the Surrey County Gaol.

To all the officers my warmest thanks are due for their close application to their several duties, and the same may be said of the attendants and servants generally, who, with hardly an exception, have conducted themselves in a highly exemplary manner.

Again I thank you, Gentlemen, for the confidence you repose in me, and for the kind and forbearing consideration I always receive at your hands, and I still have the honour to subscribe myself,

Your very obedient servant,

GEORGE THOMPSON, L.R.C.P., Lond.;

*Medical Superintendent,*



# STATISTICAL TABLES, 1877.

TABLE I.—*Shewing the Admissions, Re-Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1877.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
In the Asylum on the 1st of January, 1877 ...	136	166	302
Admitted for the first time during the Year ...	38	41	79
Re-admitted during the Year ... ..	5	14	19
Total under care during the Year ... ..	179	221	400
Discharged or Removed :—			
Recovered ... .. M. F. T.			
Relieved ... ..	13	26	39
Not Improved ... ..	10	5	15
Died ... ..	0	0	0
Died ... ..	16	16	32
Total Discharged and Died during the Year ...	39	47	86
Remaining in the Asylum Dec. 31st, 1877 ...	140	174	314
Average number Resident during the Year ...	142	171	313

TABLE II.—*Shewing the Admissions, Re-Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths from the opening of the Asylum to the present date, December 31, 1877.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Patients Admitted during the period of 17 Years	693	741	1434
„ Re-admitted „ „ „	108	85	193
Total of cases admitted „ „	801	826	1627
Discharged :—			
Recovered ... .. M. F. T.			
Relieved ... ..	278	328	606
Not Improved ... ..	91	86	177
Died ... ..	8	11	19
Died ... ..	284	227	511
Total Discharged and Died during the 17 Years	661	652	1313
Remaining December 31st, 1877 ... ..	140	174	314
Average number Resident during the 17 years	113	124	237



TABLE III.—*Shewing the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, with the mean Annual Mortality and Proportion of Recoveries per Cent. on the Admissions for each Year.*

Years	Admitted.			Discharged.						Died.			Remaining December 31, in each year.			Average Numbers Resident.			Per Centage of Recoveries on Admissions.			Per Centage of Deaths on Average Numbers Resident.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improved.			Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Asylum opened in February																								
1861	92	115	207	5	10	15	4	12	16	2	1	3	73	87	160	65	77	142	5.5	4.3	4.8	12.3	14.3	13.3
1862	46	50	96	14	23	37	7	4	11	5	1	6	86	100	186	77	91	168	30.4	18.0	24.0	14.4	20.8	17.9
1863	39	30	69	8	14	22	3	5	8	1	1	2	97	102	199	98	108	206	20.5	46.6	32.0	16.3	7.4	11.6
1864	42	42	84	17	37	54	2	5	7	2	1	3	105	98	203	99	102	201	40.5	47.6	44.0	14.0	18.8	16.5
1865	47	39	86	26	43	69	4	5	9	1	1	1	106	103	209	105	99	204	55.0	43.6	50.0	15.2	11.1	13.2
1866	42	32	74	18	32	50	4	7	11	1	1	1	110	106	216	111	106	217	45.0	44.0	43.2	13.5	7.5	10.5
1867	48	38	86	21	35	56	12	4	16	1	1	1	114	112	226	112	106	218	42.5	37.0	40.6	8.9	12.2	10.5
1868	43	37	80	21	42	63	11	5	16	1	1	1	105	112	217	110	118	228	48.8	56.7	52.5	17.2	9.2	13.0
1869	52	30	82	25	40	65	4	2	6	0	0	0	110	111	221	107	113	220	48.0	50.0	48.8	16.8	12.3	14.5
1870	42	52	94	15	45	60	1	2	3	0	0	0	117	129	246	113	122	235	35.4	48.0	42.4	16.8	5.7	11.0
1871	48	56	104	16	45	61	5	5	10	0	0	0	126	133	259	124	134	258	33.3	51.8	43.2	14.5	13.4	13.8
1872	52	43	95	19	44	63	5	1	6	0	0	0	137	141	278	133	137	270	36.5	58.1	46.3	12.7	6.5	9.6
1873	44	40	84	15	34	49	6	2	8	0	0	0	143	140	283	141	140	281	34.1	47.5	40.5	12.0	14.2	13.1
1874	30	51	81	14	38	52	5	9	14	0	0	0	129	143	272	139	146	285	46.6	47.0	46.9	18.2	10.2	14.9
1875	41	57	98	17	46	63	5	7	12	1	1	1	122	147	269	126	156	282	41.5	50.9	47.0	20.6	10.2	14.9
1876	50	59	109	14	36	50	3	6	9	0	0	0	136	166	302	128	162	290	28.0	37.3	33.0	14.8	7.4	10.6
1877	43	55	98	13	39	52	10	5	15	0	0	0	140	174	314	142	171	313	30.2	47.1	40.0	11.2	9.3	10.2
Totals and average	801	826	1627	278	606	884	91	86	177	8	11	19	284	227	511	113	124	237	34.7	39.7	37.3	14.6	10.8	12.4



TABLE IV.—Shewing the History of the Annual Admissions since the Opening of the Asylum, with the Discharges and Deaths, and the number of each Year's Admissions remaining on December 31, 1877.

Year.	Admitted.			Of each Year's Admissions Discharged and Died in 1877.												Total Discharged and Died of each Year's Admissions.												Remaining of each Year's Admissions December 31, 1877.		
	New Cases.		Relaps'd Cases.	Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improv'd			Died.			Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improv'd			Died.			Male.	Female.	Total.
	Male.	Female.		Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.						
1861	92	113		0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	3	11	20	31	17	20	37	2	4	6	47	57	104	15	14	29
1862	44	49	2	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	18	12	30	12	9	12	1	1	2	14	28	42	7	3	10
1863	36	28	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	10	19	2	7	9	3	2	5	23	33	33	2	1	3
1864	40	42	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	20	44	4	6	10	1	1	2	11	22	22	4	4	9
1865	38	36	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	19	41	7	4	11	0	0	0	15	14	29	5	2	5
1866	36	30	9	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	14	30	9	3	9	0	0	0	15	10	25	3	5	10
1867	39	35	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	16	33	7	3	10	1	1	2	19	14	33	4	8	11
1868	31	31	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	15	33	4	2	6	0	0	0	18	11	29	3	4	7
1869	44	26	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	19	47	4	2	6	0	0	0	16	6	22	4	8	11
1870	31	47	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	24	35	5	6	11	0	0	0	16	9	25	10	3	7
1871	40	51	5	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	19	29	48	6	6	12	0	0	0	18	11	29	5	10	23
1872	44	35	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	19	37	6	1	7	0	0	0	17	10	27	11	13	24
1873	32	35	12	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	15	22	37	2	4	13	0	0	0	16	11	27	5	10	15
1874	26	46	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	23	32	4	9	13	0	0	0	10	4	14	11	13	16
1875	37	46	4	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	31	52	2	2	4	0	1	1	12	7	19	7	15	22
1876	45	50	5	2	9	11	3	1	4	0	0	0	6	2	8	12	23	35	5	4	9	0	0	0	11	7	18	22	25	47
1877	38	41	14	10	12	22	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	4	7	10	12	22	4	3	7	0	0	0	6	7	13	23	33	56
Total	693	741	85	13	26	39	10	5	15	0	0	0	16	16	32	278	328	606	91	86	177	8	11	19	284	227	511	140	174	314

SUMMARY OF TOTAL ADMISSIONS, 1861—1877.												Total.		
Per Centage of Cases												Male.		
Recovered												Female.		
Relieved												Total.		
Not Improved												37'3		
Died												10'9		
Remaining												1'1		
												31'4		
												19'3		
												100'0		



TABLE VI.—*Shewing the Ages of the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, in the Year 1877.*

AGES.	THE ADMISSIONS.			THE DISCHARGES.				THE DEATHS.		
				RECOVERED.		REMOVED, RELIEVED, OR OTHERWISE.		Male.	Female.	Total.
				Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	
From 5 to 10 Years	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
" 10 " 15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" 15 " 20	3	5	8	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
" 20 " 30	9	15	24	2	10	12	3	2	5	4
" 30 " 40	10	15	25	6	6	12	2	1	3	7
" 40 " 50	9	6	15	3	4	7	2	0	2	8
" 50 " 60	7	7	14	2	4	6	2	1	3	6
" 60 " 70	3	5	8	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
" 70 " 80	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	2
" 80 " 90	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" 90 and upwards	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	43	55	98	13	26	39	10	5	15	32



TABLE VII.—*Shewing the probable Causes, Apparent or Assigned, of the Mental Disorder, in the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1877.*

CAUSES.	The Admissions.			The Discharges.						The Deaths.			
				Recovered.			Removed, Relieved or Otherwise.						
				Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.				Male.
MORAL.													
Grief and Anxiety .. ..	0	2	2	1	2	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	
Disappointment in Love ..	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Religion .. ..	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
PHYSICAL.													
Hereditary Predisposition ..	12	19	31	5	10	15	2	3	5	0	2	2	
Ill Health .. ..	2	3	5	2	3	5	1	0	1	0	1	1	
Puerperal Condition .. ..	0	4	4	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Epilepsy .. ..	10	2	12	2	0	2	3	0	3	5	4	9	
General Paralysis .. ..	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	7	1	8	
Other Forms of Disorgani- zation of the Brain }	9	7	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	5	
Intemperance .. ..	0	2	2	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Old Age .. ..	1	2	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	4	
Over Lactation .. ..	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Change of Life .. ..	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Rheumatism .. ..	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Congenital .. ..	1	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	
Unknown .. ..	3	7	10	2	1	3	2	1	3	0	0	0	
Total .. ..	43	55	98	13	26	39	10	5	15	16	16	32	

TABLE VIII.—*Condition as to Marriage in the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1877.*

Condition in Reference to Marriage.	The Admissions.			The Discharges.						The Deaths.		
				Recovered.			Removed, Relieved or otherwise.					
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Single .. ..	16	24	40	4	11	15	5	2	7	5	7	12
Married .. ..	26	24	50	9	13	22	4	2	6	11	5	16
Widowed .. ..	1	7	8	0	2	2	1	1	2	0	4	4
Unknown .. ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total .. ..	43	55	98	13	26	39	10	5	15	16	16	32



TABLE IX.—*Shewing the Causes of Death during the Year 1877.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Cerebral or Spinal Diseases :—			
Disorganisation of the Brain ..	2	0	2
General Paralysis .. ..	7	1	8
Epilepsy .. ..	1	3	4
Apoplexy (Sanguineous) ..	1	0	1
Necrosis of Calvarium (Syphilitic)	1	0	1
Caries of Cervical Vertebrae ..	0	1	1
Thoracic :—			
Pulmonary Consumption ..	2	1	3
Heart Disease .. ..	0	1	1
Pneumonia .. ..	1	0	1
Abdominal :—			
Enteric Fever .. ..	0	1	1
Disease of Liver .. ..	1	1	2
General Diseases :—			
Exhaustion after Mania ..	0	1	1
„ Melancholia ..	0	1	1
Erysipelas .. ..	0	1	1
Senile Decay .. ..	0	4	4
Totals .. ..	16	16	32

TABLE X.—*Shewing the Age at First Attack and upon Admission or Re-admission, during the Year 1877.*

AGE.	Age at First Attack.			Age at Admission or Re-Admission.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Congenital ... ..	1	1	2	0	0	0
Under 10 years ... ..	0	0	0	1	0	1
From 10 to 15 years ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
„ 15 „ 20 „ ...	3	9	12	3	5	8
„ 20 „ 30 „ ...	12	13	25	9	15	24
„ 30 „ 40 „ ...	10	14	24	10	15	25
„ 40 „ 50 „ ...	8	7	15	9	6	15
„ 50 „ 60 „ ...	5	4	9	7	7	14
„ 60 „ 70 „ ...	3	6	9	3	5	8
„ 70 „ 80 „ ...	0	1	1	0	2	2
„ 80 „ 90 „ ...	1	0	1	1	0	1
Unknown ... ..	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total ... ..	43	55	98	43	55	98

TABLE XI.—*Shewing the Length of Residence in those Discharged, Recovered, and in those who have Died during the Year 1877.*

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE.	Recovered.			Died.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 1 month ... ..	0	0	0	2	4	6
From 1 to 3 months ...	7	8	15	2	1	3
„ 3 „ 6 „ ...	4	4	8	2	2	4
„ 6 „ 9 „ ...	0	6	6	2	1	3
„ 9 „ 12 „ ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
„ 1 „ 2 years ...	2	6	8	4	2	6
„ 2 „ 3 „ ...	0	1	1	0	0	0
„ 3 „ 4 „ ...	0	1	1	1	0	1
„ 4 „ 5 „ ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
„ 5 „ 6 „ ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
„ 6 „ 7 „ ...	0	0	0	1	0	1
„ 7 „ 8 „ ...	0	0	0	0	1	1
„ 8 „ 9 „ ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
„ 9 „ 10 „ ...	0	0	0	0	1	1
„ 10 „ 12 „ ...	0	0	0	0	3	3
„ 12 „ 15 „ ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 15 years ... ..	0	0	0	2	1	3
Total ... ..	13	26	39	16	16	32

TABLE XII.—*Shewing the Forms of Mental Disorder and Complications in the Patients Admitted during the Year 1877.*

						COMBINED WITH EPILEPSY.		COMBINED WITH GENERAL PARALYSIS.		DISPOSED TO COMMIT SUICIDE.	
FORM OF DISORDER.				Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
MANIA :—											
Recent	...	...	...	10	14	4	1	0	0	2	5
Chronic	...	...	...	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	1
Puerperal	...	...	...	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	4
MELANCHOLIA				8	19	1	0	0	0	8	19
DEMENTIA :—											
Acute	...	...	...	5	7	1	0	0	0	2	1
Chronic	...	...	...	17	6	6	1	5	1	3	2
IMBECILITY				0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IDIOTCY				1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total				43	55	12	3	5	1	15	32

TABLE XIII.—*Shewing the State of Bodily Health and Condition of the Patients Admitted during the Year 1877.*

STATE OF BODILY HEALTH AND CONDITION.						Males.	Females.	Total.
A								
1st.—In fair bodily health and condition	...	...	...	...	...	0	1	1
2nd.—In impaired health and feeble condition	...	...	...	...	...	13	25	38
3rd.—In bad health and exhausted condition	...	...	...	...	...	13	25	38
B								
EPILEPTICS.								
4th.—In fair health and condition	...	...	...	...	...	9	2	11
5th.—In depraved health and exhausted or otherwise unfavourable condition	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	4
C								
General Paralytics	...	...	...	...	...	5	1	6
Total						43	55	98



TABLE XIV.—*Shewing the Condition in reference to Education in the Patients Admitted during the Year 1877.*

EDUCATION.				Males.	Females.	Total.
Of fair Education ...	...	...	...	4	10	14
Can Read and Write ...	...	...	...	17	21	38
Can Read only ...	...	...	...	11	8	19
Can neither Read nor Write ...	...	...	...	2	3	5
Unknown or Mentally Incapable ...	...	...	...	9	13	22
Total ...	...	...	...	43	55	98

TABLE XV.—*Shewing the Religious Persuasion of the Patients Admitted during the Year 1877.*

RELIGIOUS PERSUASION.				Males.	Females.	Total.
Church of England ...	...	...	...	32	32	64
Protestant Dissenters ...	...	...	...	5	16	21
Roman Catholics ...	...	...	...	3	4	7
Unknown or Incapable ...	...	...	...	3	3	6
Total ...	...	...	...	43	55	98



TABLE XVI.—*Shewing the Occupation of the Patients Admitted in 1877.*

MALES.				FEMALES.			
			NO.				NO.
Bakers ...	...	...	2	Artist (Photographer)	..	..	1
Boat-builder	...	...	1	Boot-finisher	...	...	1
Brassfounder	...	...	1	Domestic Servants	...	...	14
Clerk ...	...	...	1	Dressmaker	...	...	1
Cutler ...	...	...	1	Governess	...	...	1
Gardener	...	...	1	Invalid Nurse	...	...	1
Groom ...	...	...	1	Sempstresses	...	...	2
Labourers	...	...	16	Teacher of Music ...	...	...	1
Man-of-War's Man...	...	...	1	Wives or Widows of Artisans,&c.	...	...	27
Masons ...	...	...	2	Unknown or Incapable	...	...	6
Mate (2nd)	...	...	1				
Military Pensioner...	...	...	1				
Printer's Apprentice	...	...	1				
Sailors ..	...	...	2				
Schoolboy	...	...	1				
Shoemakers	...	...	3				
Sugar Planter	...	...	1				
Tailors' Cutters	...	...	4				
Teacher of Music	...	...	1				
Incapable	...	...	1				
Total ...			43	Total ...			55

TABLE XVII.—*Shewing the Number Admitted, Discharged, Removed, and Died during each Month of the Year 1877.*

IN MONTH OF	ADMITTED.			RECOVERED.			REMOVED.			DIED.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	3	7	10	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	3	5
February	4	8	12	1	2	3	0	0	0	3	1	4
March	2	4	6	2	3	5	3	1	4	0	1	1
April	2	4	6	0	3	3	0	1	1	0	1	1
May	4	2	6	0	2	2	1	1	2	1	2	3
June	8	5	13	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	1	1
July	7	5	12	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	2	2
August	3	4	7	3	4	7	2	1	3	1	0	1
September	3	2	5	1	2	3	1	0	1	1	0	1
October	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	4
November	3	6	9	3	4	7	1	0	1	3	0	3
December	0	6	6	1	0	1	1	0	1	3	3	6
Totals	43	55	98	13	26	39	10	5	15	16	16	32

TABLE XVIII.—*Shewing the length of time after Discharge at the time of Re-admission, 1877.*

LENGTH OF TIME AFTER DISCHARGE.			HAD BEEN DISCHARGED RECOVERED.			HAD BEEN DISCHARGED RELIEVED.		
			Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under One Month	...	...	0	1	1	0	0	0
From One to Three Months...	...	...	0	1	1	0	0	0
„ Three to Six Months ...	...	...	0	1	1	0	0	0
„ Six to Nine Months ...	...	...	0	2	2	0	0	0
„ Nine to Twelve Months	...	...	1	1	2	0	0	0
„ One Year to Two Years	...	...	1	2	3	1	0	1
„ Two to Three Years ...	...	...	0	1	1	0	0	0
„ Three to Four Years ...	...	...	0	2	2	0	0	0
„ Four to Five Years ...	...	...	1	0	1	0	0	0
Above Five Years	...	...	1	3	4	0	0	0
Total	...	...	4	14	18	1	0	1



TABLE XIX.—*Extracts from the "Daily Reports" of the State and Occupations of the Patients, 24th, 25th, and 26th December, 1877.*

Males.				Females.			
EMPLOYED IN	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wednesday.	EMPLOYED IN	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wednesday.
Garden, Farm, &c.	30	0	4	Laundry ...	23	0	22
Stores and Cellars	1	1	1	Kitchen ...	2	2	2
Kitchen ...	1	1	1	Dwelling House...	2	2	2
Bakehouse ...	1	1	1	Dress Making ...	5	0	5
Laundry ...	2	0	1	General Needle-			
Tailors ...	1	0	0	work ...	32	0	32
Shoemakers ...	4	0	0	Fancy Work ...	3	0	3
Carpenters ...	0	0	0	Stocking Mending	10	0	10
Painters ...	2	0	0	Shoe Binding ...	0	0	0
Coir Mat Makers	1	0	0	Ward Helpers ...	20	29	20
Stokers ...	0	0	0				
Ward Helpers ...	29	30	29				
Total Employed	72	33	37	Total Employed	97	33	96
Admitted ...	0	0	0	Admitted ...	0	0	0
Discharged ...	0	0	0	Discharged ...	0	0	0
Died ...	0	0	0	Died ...	0	0	0
Sick (in bed) ...	1	1	0	Sick (in Bed) ...	6	6	6
Fits by Day ...	7	5	6	Fits by Day ...	0	1	1
Fits by Night ...	5	6	4	Fits by Night ...	2	0	2
At Chapel ...	0	78	34	At Chapel ...	0	80	35
At Prayers ...	0	101	0	At Prayers ...	0	80	0
At Parish Church	0	0	0	At Parish Church	0	0	0
Out-door Exercise	134	134	136	Out-door Exercise	90	120	0
Beyond the Gates	0	0	0	Beyond the Gates	0	0	0
Evening Amuse-				Evening Amuse-			
ments ...	78	0	79	ments ...	56	0	80
In Seclusion ...	0	0	0	In Seclusion ...	0	0	0
Accidents ...	0	0	0	Accidents ...	0	0	0
Escapes ...	0	0	0	Escapes ...	0	0	0
No. of Patients...	141	141	141	No. of Patients...	174	174	174

TABLE XX.—*Shewing the Number of Patients Employed, with their Occupations during the Year 1877.*

Month.	MALES.													FEMALES.															
	Garden, Piggery, and Farm.	Kitchen.	Laundry.	Stores and Cellars.	Bakehouse.	Carpenters.	Painters.	Masons.	Smiths.	Shoemakers.	Tailors.	Mat Shop.	In Wards.	Total.	Kitchen.	Laundry.	Dwelling House.	General Needlework.	Dressmaking.	Fancy Work.	Upholstery.	Stocking Mending.	Knitting.	Shoe Binding.	Coir Picking.	In Wards.	Total.	No. Employed each Month.	
In January	30	2	2	1	1	1	4	0	0	2	2	2	22	69	2	20	2	31	7	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	27	98	167
„ February	28	1	2	1	1	0	3	0	0	2	2	2	25	67	3	21	2	31	7	0	0	9	0	0	0	27	100	167	
„ March	28	1	2	1	1	1	5	0	0	3	2	1	21	66	2	21	2	28	6	0	0	13	0	0	0	29	101	167	
„ April	29	1	2	1	1	1	2	0	0	4	3	1	23	68	3	22	2	25	9	0	0	15	0	0	0	25	101	169	
„ May	31	1	2	1	1	1	4	0	0	4	4	1	21	71	2	22	3	32	9	0	0	17	0	1	0	20	106	177	
„ June	33	2	2	1	1	1	5	0	0	4	2	2	25	78	3	21	3	26	10	0	0	19	0	1	0	18	101	179	
„ July	33	1	2	1	1	1	4	0	0	4	4	1	24	76	3	21	3	29	7	3	0	13	0	1	0	17	97	173	
„ August	35	2	2	1	1	1	4	0	0	5	3	2	27	83	2	24	2	28	8	3	0	15	0	1	0	21	104	187	
„ September	36	2	1	1	1	1	3	0	0	3	3	1	29	81	3	25	2	18	6	2	0	19	0	1	0	20	96	177	
„ October	35	2	2	1	1	1	3	0	0	3	2	1	27	78	2	26	2	20	7	2	0	20	0	0	0	21	100	178	
„ November	34	2	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	4	3	2	28	79	2	27	2	19	8	1	0	20	0	0	0	21	100	179	
„ December	31	1	2	1	1	1	3	0	0	4	3	2	25	74	2	25	2	21	9	3	0	18	0	0	0	21	101	175	

TABLE.—XXI.—*Estimated Value of the Occupation and Labour of the Patients during the Year 1877.*

(From the "Daily Employment Books.")

MALES.						
	No. of Days Employed.	Daily Value of Labour per Head.		Total Yearly Value.		
ARTISANS.		s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Carpenters ... ..	195	1	2	11	7	6
Smiths ... ..	none	1	2	0	0	0
Painters ... ..	1105	1	2	64	9	2
Shoemakers ... ..	999	0	8	33	6	0
Tailors ... ..	793	0	10	33	0	10
Mat Makers ... ..	366	0	6	9	3	0
Bakers ... ..	365	0	10	15	4	2
LABOURERS.						
In Garden ... ..	9293	0	8	309	15	4
Laundry... ..	605	0	8	20	3	4
Kitchen, Stores, Cellars, &c. ... ..	1152	0	8	38	8	0
Total ...	14873			534	17	4
FEMALES.						
	No. of Days Employed.	Daily Value of Labour per Head.		Total Yearly Value.		
		s.	d.	£	s.	d.
In Kitchen ... ..	910	0	3	11	7	6
Laundry ... ..	6886	0	3	86	1	6
At Shoe Binding ... ..	128	0	3	1	12	0
Dress Making and other Needlework ... ..	15650	0	3	195	12	6
Total ...	23574			294	13	6

JOHN CAMERON, } *Head*  
FANNY STROUD, } *Attendants.*



# DIETARY.

DAYS.	BREAKFAST.						DINNER.												SUPPER.										
	Males.			Females.			Males.						Females.						Males.			Females.							
	Bread.	Butter.	Coffee.	Bread.	Butter.	Coffee.	Uncooked Meat.	Irish Stew.	Soup.	Meat Pie.	Vegetables.	Bread or Dumpling.	Beer.	Uncooked Meat.	Irish Stew.	Soup.	Meat Pie.	Vegetables.	Bread or Dumpling.	Beer.	Bread.	Seed Cake.	Butter.	Tea.	Bread.	Seed Cake.	Butter.	Tea.	
Sunday ..	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	6	..	..	..	16	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	..	..	12	3	$\frac{1}{2}$	..	6	1	..	5	..	1	
Monday ..	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	2	..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Tuesday ..	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	8	..	..	..	16	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	8	..	..	..	..	12	3	$\frac{1}{2}$	6	..	1	5	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
Wednesday	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	..	..	..	8	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	4	..	..	..	12	6	3	$\frac{1}{2}$	..	6	1	..	5	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Thursday ..	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	6	..	..	..	16	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	..	..	12	3	$\frac{1}{2}$	6	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Friday ..	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	4	..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	..	1	..	..	..	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	6	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Saturday ..	6	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	2	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	6	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1	..	..	..	4	4	$\frac{1}{2}$	6	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	5	..	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Weekly Total	42	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	35	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	33	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	16	62	18	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	1	2	12	46	24	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	30	42	25	7	35	10	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	

Rhubarb, or Fruit Pies, in the season frequently, in addition to the Sunday Dinner, also Lettuce, Salad, Pickled Cabbage, or Onions.  
 Cabbages, Leeks, Parsnips, Turnips, or Carrots are frequently served with the Dinners.  
 Roast Veal on Easter Day and Whitsunday. Plum Buns for Breakfast and Tea on Good Friday. Pork substituted occasionally for Beef.  
 Mutton served to the sick, and Wine, Spirits, &c., at the discretion of the Medical Officers.  
 Lunch for Male Working Patients, 4 oz. Bread, 1 oz. Cheese, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint Beer, at 11 a.m.; at 4 p.m.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint Beer. Female Patients the same  
 Lunch and  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint Tea at 4 in the Afternoon.  
 A small quantity of Rag Tobacco is distributed to the Men, and Snuff to the Women, as a reward for good conduct.

*Articles Made and Repaired in the Wards, 1877.*

ARTICLES.				MADE.	REPAIRED.
				NO.	NO.
Aprons	..	..	..	164	374
Bonnets	..	..	..	..	10
Blankets, Hanked	..	..	..	616	208
Blinds	..	..	..	16	3
Bed-Cases	..	..	..	6	28
Bolster-Slips	..	..	..	324	193
Cap, day	..	..	..	..	18
Chemises	..	..	..	168	2089
Dresses	..	..	..	92	1908
Dusters	..	..	..	85	..
Hose, Marked	..	..	..	399	11709
Jackets	..	..	..	25	..
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	24	157
Nightdresses	..	..	..	180	1642
Petticoats, Flannel	..	..	..	88	1267
Petticoats, Serge	..	..	..	40	1413
Pinafores	..	..	..	255	1577
Stays	..	..	..	60	1446
Shirts	..	..	..	144	1007
Sheets	..	..	..	525	600
Table Cloths	..	..	..	20	20
Towels, Reel	..	..	..	133	..
Trousers, Pairs	..	..	..	4	2
Toilet Covers	..	..	..	5	518
Vests, Flannel	..	..	..	132	..
Waistcoats	..	..	..	74	..

JULIA A. CROOK,

*Housekeeper.*

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

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FISHPONDS, 29th December, 1877.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to your notice a short account of the work with which, as your Chaplain, I have been engaged during the past twelve months. It is, of course, of the same character from year to year, and therefore it is difficult to say anything new concerning it.

There have been the usual number of services and sermons, and I have again to point out, with pleasure, how attentive the patients are in Chapel, and how much they value the privilege of attending there. The discourses on the Sundays and Wednesdays are eagerly canvassed, and some difficult theological questions are often reserved for the Parson's special benefit, nor is it the sermons alone which become topics of criticism, the services too are discussed, some, as in the outside world, preferring the ornate and choral to which we approach a little on the Sundays, whilst others are better pleased with the plainness of our week days' when they can all "join in" the responses. It is evident from all this that the Chaplain's work, though somewhat monotonous, is by no means unimportant. A most eminent authority on insanity, Dr. Crichton Browne, told me on one occasion that he regarded the Chaplain's duties as next in value to those of the Medical Superintendent, because it is now everywhere admitted that moral means are the most efficacious that can be employed for the cure of the patients in Asylums.

There is scarcely any Asylum in which great stress is not laid upon amusements, balls, concerts, all having for their object to excite the interest of the patient, to remove him, as it were, out of himself; but this is precisely what the Chaplain labours to effect, and what his efforts, both in the Chapel and in the Wards, are specially designed to bring about.

It is consoling to me to know that I have not been altogether unsuccessful; that sometimes the eye will beam with pleasure and the cheek flush with gladness when I linger to say a word, to endeavour to lighten a burden that was becoming heavy to be borne, and to kindle a hope that was dying out into darkness.

With many thanks for your confidence and kindness,

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

J. BURCHELL SPRING,

To the Committee of Visitors.

*Chaplain.*



*STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS by the  
Committee of Visitors of the Bristol Lunatic Asylum from  
1st January to 31st December, 1877.*

RECEIPTS.

FROM UNIONS WITHIN THE CITY:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Bristol .. .. .	3536	4	0			
Barton Regis .. .. .	4090	8	11			
Bedminster .. .. .	2065	14	6			
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FROM TREASURER OF BOROUGH FUND

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FROM UNIONS WITHOUT THE CITY:—

Axbridge .. .. .	1	16	0			
Cardiff .. .. .	25	2	0			
Chippenham .. .. .	1	16	0			
Clutton .. .. .	17	4	0			
Honiton .. .. .	4	8	0			
Oldham .. .. .	14	0	0			
Pembroke .. .. .	36	10	0			
St. Thomas (Exeter) .. .. .	8	18	0			
Taunton .. .. .	7	10	0			
Wells .. .. .	7	10	0			
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FROM PRIVATE PATIENTS .. .. .	45	14	4
,, SALES OF STORES AND REFUSE .. .. .	91	11	4
,, SALES OF FARM PRODUCE.. .. .	1	12	6
TO AMOUNT DUE FOR SALES OF STORES .. .. .	68	7	0

Total Receipts .. £10421 7 8

## PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
SALARIES AND WAGES :—						
Officers .. ..	824	4	9			
Attendants and Servants ..	1119	12	5			
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## PROVISIONS :—

Arrowroot .. ..	9	18	0			
Apples, &c. ...	3	8	8			
Barm .. ..	9	19	4			
Bacon .. ..	125	18	9			
Beer .. ..	537	14	6			
Butter, Fresh ..	78	8	11			
Ditto Salt .. ..	296	10	1			
Biscuits, &c. ..	5	18	0			
Cheese .. ..	71	18	2			
Caraways .. ..	5	12	0			
Chicory .. ..	3	19	0			
Coffee .. ..	107	5	6			
Candied Peel ..	1	9	5			
Currants and Raisins ..	9	8	2			
Eggs and Poultry ..	22	17	8			
Fish .. ..	9	2	3			
Flour .. ..	775	0	6			
Jams, Isinglass, &c. ..	2	1	8			
Lemons and Oranges ..	3	17	0			
Lemonade, &c. ..	1	1	3			
Maccaroni .. ..	0	2	6			
Meat .. ..	1218	17	4			
Ditto Preserved ..	198	16	11			
Ditto Extract of ..	19	7	6			
Milk .. ..	193	1	2			
Mustard .. ..	8	5	0			
Oatmeal .. ..	0	8	9			
Onions .. ..	0	8	0			
Pepper .. ..	3	17	7			
Potatoes .. ..	107	9	6			
Rice .. ..	3	3	6			
Salt .. ..	4	1	0			
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Carried forward ..	£3839	7	7	£1943	17	2

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	..	..	3839	7	7	1943	17	2
Saltpetre	..	..	0	4	3			
Sauces	..	..	0	17	7			
Spices	..	..	1	10	6			
Split Peas	..	..	24	7	0			
Sugar, Lump	..	..	4	18	0			
Ditto Raw	..	..	119	14	1			
Tapioca	..	..	1	2	6			
Tea	..	..	145	16	10			
Vinegar	..	..	4	3	10			
			<hr/>			4142	2	2

## NECESSARIES :—

Brushes and Combs	..	..	7	12	6			
Blacking	..	..	1	15	0			
Baskets and Repairs	..	..	5	11	0			
Coals, Brush	..	..	287	5	3			
Ditto Coke	..	..	26	11	4			
Ditto Slack	..	..	3	0	3			
Candles and Lamp Oil	..	..	5	9	8			
Disinfecting Powder	..	..	2	14	6			
Earthenware and Glass	..	..	57	8	9			
Gas	..	..	249	18	11			
House Flannel	..	..	20	16	8			
Ditto Sand	..	..	1	19	0			
Ironmongery (Kitchen Requisites, &c.)	..	..	31	16	10			
Ironing Cloth	..	..	2	7	0			
Laundry Clothes Barrow	..	..	2	10	0			
Matches	..	..	2	9	6			
Soaps	..	..	106	11	0			
Soda	..	..	17	0	1			
Sponges	..	..	0	3	6			
Starch	..	..	9	2	10			
			<hr/>			842	3	7

## CLOTHING :—

Attendants' Uniform	..	..	53	18	0			
Calico	..	..	22	12	9			
Check Shirting	..	..	36	5	0			
Cloth	..	..	27	11	6			
Corduroy	..	..	15	16	2			
Flannel	..	..	12	14	0			
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Carried forward	..	..	£168	17	5	£6928	2	11



	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..	168	17	5	6928	2	11
Haberdashery (Threads, Cottons, Needles, &c.) ..	16	17	9			
Hats, Women's ..	0	11	8			
Hessian ..	3	14	5			
Hosiery ..	20	2	5			
Lining (Tailors') ..	5	2	4			
Leather ..	89	11	7			
Making Clothing ..	29	8	11			
Marking Ink ..	2	5	9			
Neckerchiefs ..	3	18	6			
Nurses' Uniform Dresses ..	41	8	5			
Pocket Handkerchiefs..	3	14	11			
Print ..	8	7	11			
Repairs to Sewing Machine, &c.	1	5	2			
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## FURNITURE AND BEDDING:—

Bagatelle Cues ..	0	5	1			
Bed Rugs ..	23	16	8			
Blind Cord ..	0	16	6			
Carpet ..	10	1	0			
Carpet Fringe and Thread ..	1	5	0			
Curtain Binding ..	0	15	0			
Dyeing and Cleaning Curtains, &c.	3	12	3			
Floor Cloth ..	16	0	11			
Huckaback ..	9	11	8			
Lace Curtains ..	4	16	0			
Matting and Binding ..	43	16	9			
Palliasses ..	18	2	6			
Pictures, Framing, and Glass ..	2	13	7			
Picture Rings, and Curtain Hooks	0	16	5			
Sheeting, Linen ..	3	8	11			
Ditto Waterproof ..	4	12	9			
Table Linen ..	10	5	1			
Ticking ..	8	12	4			
Window Holland ..	3	0	0			
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## FARM AND GARDEN:—

Garden Seeds ..	9	0	9			
Ditto Tools and Repairs ..	2	10	4			
Grains ..	19	16	8			
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Carried forward ..	£31	7	9	£7489	18	6

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ..	31	7	9	7489	18	6
Hauling and Thatching Hay, &c.	2	13	2			
Hire of Mowing Machine ..	1	10	0			
Killing Pigs, &c. .. ..	11	9	6			
Manure .. ..	10	0	0			
Meal, Sharps, and Bran ..	94	9	0			
Pigs .. ..	4	0	0			
Pig Troughs .. ..	2	0	0			
Seed Potatoes .. ..	38	8	0			
Stakes .. ..	0	7	6			
Straw .. ..	20	4	7			
Thatching Yarn .. ..	0	3	6			
Wheelwright .. ..	7	8	5			
	<hr/>			224	1	5
DISPENSARY :—						
Drugs and Medical Instruments	54	2	11			
Medical Stationery .. ..	1	4	0			
	<hr/>			55	6	11
WINES, &c. :—						
Wines and Spirits .. ..	..	..	..	74	11	0
RATES, TAXES, &c. :—						
Poor Rate .. ..	8	14	2			
Rent Charge .. ..	8	4	4			
Rent of Wells .. ..	8	0	0			
	<hr/>			24	18	6
BUILDING AND REPAIRS :—						
Boiler Cleaning and Repairs ..	8	18	0			
Carpenter's Labour .. ..	1	10	0			
Enamelled Syphon Traps ..	8	2	0			
Engineer's Labour and Materials	46	8	2			
Glazing and Glass .. ..	30	6	8			
Joiners' Tools and Materials ..	21	10	11			
Kitchen Range, and Circulating Hot Water Apparatus ..	32	19	6			
Locks .. ..	3	2	0			
Masons' Labour and Materials ..	150	2	0			
Oils, Colours, Varnish, &c. ..	57	14	7			
Painting and Papering ..	28	16	0			
Painter's Steps .. ..	2	2	0			
Repairs, &c., to Heating Apparatus	59	14	5			
Timber .. ..	51	11	10			
Wall Paper .. ..	5	15	5			
	<hr/>			508	13	6
Carried forward .. ..	..	..	..	£8377	9	10

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	..				8377	9	10
MISCELLANEOUS:—							
Advertising ..	..	22	6	7			
Amusements ..	..	4	19	2			
Auditing Accounts ..	..	15	15	0			
Books and Periodicals ..	..	9	0	11			
Bird Seed ..	..	0	16	3			
Cab Hire ..	..	37	1	6			
Carriage of Goods ..	..	18	19	3			
Chimney Sweep ..	..	3	6	4			
Coir Yarn ..	..	3	16	8			
Easter Dues (two years)	..	6	6	0			
Engraving Index for Water							
Guage ..	..	0	18	6			
Insurance ..	..	1	0	0			
Messenger ..	..	1	10	8			
Music and Instruments ..	..	9	4	3			
Oil, for Engine ..	..	2	8	0			
Patients' Maintenance at Fisherton							
(repaid) ..	..	44	4	0			
Postages, Receipts, Telegrams, &c.		15	8	9			
Removal of Patients (repaid) ..	..	7	0	0			
Repairs to Cutlery, &c. ..	..	0	7	3			
Ditto to Clocks ..	..	4	13	0			
Recapture Expenses ..	..	4	14	3			
Spectacles and Cases ..	..	0	14	0			
Stationery, Printing, &c. ..	..	53	12	6			
Statuettes ..	..	1	1	0			
Tobacco and Snuff ..	..	50	6	10			
Travelling Expenses ..	..	12	13	6			
Twine ..	..	0	17	11			
Water Analysis ..	..	4	4	0			
Water Supply ..	..	269	6	6			
		<hr/>			606	12	7
Total Payments ..	..				£8984	2	5
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*Average Weekly Cost of Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care  
of Patients during the year 1877.*

					s.	d.
Salaries and Wages	..	..	..	..	2	4
Provisions	..	..	..	..	5	1 $\frac{5}{8}$
Necessaries	..	..	..	..	1	0 $\frac{3}{8}$
Clothing	..	..	..	..	0	5 $\frac{7}{8}$
Furniture and Bedding	..	..	..	..	0	2 $\frac{4}{8}$
Farm and Garden, (including Rates, Taxes, &c.)				..	0	3 $\frac{5}{8}$
Surgery and Dispensary	..	..	..	..	0	0 $\frac{6}{8}$
Wines and Spirits	..	..	..	..	0	1 $\frac{1}{8}$
Building and Repairs	..	..	..	..	0	7 $\frac{4}{8}$
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	0	8 $\frac{7}{8}$
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					11	0 $\frac{2}{8}$
Less Moneys received for Stores and Produce sold (ex-						
clusive of those consumed in the Asylum)	..				0	1 $\frac{3}{8}$
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Average Weekly Cost per head	..	..	..	..	10	10 $\frac{7}{8}$
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Weekly charge for Patients from the City and County of						
Bristol	..	..	..	..	12	0
Weekly charge for Out County Patients	..			..	14	0
Weekly charge for Private Patient	..	..		..	16	1 $\frac{3}{8}$

*Salaries and Wages of the Officers, Attendants, and Servants.*

OFFICERS.

				£	s.	d.
<i>a</i> Medical Superintendent	..	..	..	500	0	0
<i>b</i> Chaplain ..	..	..	..	100	0	0
<i>c</i> Assistant Medical Officer	..	..	..	120	0	0
<i>b</i> Clerk to the Visitors..	..	..	..	75	0	0
<i>c</i> Clerk and Steward ..	..	..	..	110	0	0
<i>c</i> Engineer ..	..	..	..	65	0	0
<i>c</i> Housekeeper ..	..	..	..	40	0	0
<i>c</i> Head Male Attendant	..	..	..	55	0	0
<i>c</i> Head Female Attendant	..	..	..	40	0	0

ATTENDANTS, &c.—MALE DEPARTMENT.

<i>d</i> Night Attendant	..	..	..	..	30	0	0
<i>d</i> Tailor do.	..	..	..	..	28	0	0
<i>d</i> Painter do.	..	..	..	..	30	0	0
<i>d</i> One Ward do.	..	..	..	..	33	0	0
<i>d</i> Four do. do.	..	..	..	at	28	0	0
<i>d</i> Five do. do.	..	..	..	at	24	0	0
<i>d</i> Porter	..	..	..	..	20	0	0
<i>b</i> Carpenter	..	..	..	per week	1	4	0
<i>b</i> Gardener	..	..	..	do.	1	0	0
<i>b</i> Bailiff	..	..	..	do.	0	18	0
<i>b</i> Stoker	..	..	..	do.	0	17	0
<i>b</i> Baker	..	..	..	do.	1	0	0
<i>b</i> Shoemaker	..	..	..	do.	0	15	6

ATTENDANTS, &c.—FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

<i>d</i> Night Attendant	..	..	..	..	20	0	0
<i>d</i> One Ward do.	..	..	..	..	25	0	0
<i>d</i> One do. do.	..	..	..	..	18	0	0
<i>d</i> Two do. do.	..	..	..	at	16	0	0
<i>d</i> Seven do. do.	..	..	..	at	14	0	0
<i>d</i> Cook	..	..	..	..	24	0	0
<i>d</i> Head Laundress	..	..	..	..	20	0	0
<i>d</i> Two Laundry Maids..	..	..	..	at	12	0	0
<i>d</i> Housemaid	..	..	..	..	12	0	0
<i>d</i> Ward Servant	..	..	..	..	12	0	0
<i>d</i> Kitchen Maid	..	..	..	..	10	0	0
<i>e</i> Lodge Keeper	..	..	..	per week	0	14	0

*a* Partially Furnished House, Rates, and Taxes, Washing, Fire, Light, and Vegetables.

*b* Non-resident—no allowances.

*c* Board, Furnished Apartments, Washing, and Attendance.

*d* Board, Lodging, Washing, and Uniform.

*e* Partially furnished House, Rates and Taxes, Garden, Fire, and Light.

*Note.*—Corrected to 1st May, 1878.

DR. *ABSTRACT of FARM and GARDEN ACCOUNT for the Year ending December 31st, 1877.* CR.


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STATEMENT of the FINANCIAL CONDITION of the MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT of the ASYLUM,  
on the 31st December, 1877.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Balance in hands of Treasurer and Clerk this day .. .. .	1360 0 11	By Amount due to Officers, &c., for Salaries and Wages .. .. .	291 5 0
„ Amount due for Maintenance of Private Patients .. .. .	14 4 4	„ Amount due to Tradesmen for Goods supplied .. .. .	1651 0 6
„ Amount due from Unions, &c., for Main- tenance of Pauper Patients .. .. .	2531 15 4	„ Balance in favour of the Asylum .. .. .	2048 12 0
„ Amount due for Sales of Stores and Produce .. .. .	84 16 11		
	<u>£3990 17 6</u>		<u>£3990 17 6</u>





This Report was presented to the Council of the City of Bristol on 1st January, 1879, and ordered to be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Council.

WILLIAM BRICE,

TOWN CLERK.

*Council House, Bristol.*



